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NEWS RELEASES

FCC RELEASES REPORT ON INFRASTRUCTURE. The FCC released a report titled Infrastructure of the Local Operating Companies. This report presents data that highlights the development of switching and transmission technologies in the local telephone networks over the period 1991 through 1998. CCB Contact: Industry Analysis Division: (202) 418-0940, TTY: (202) 418-0484. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/News_Releases/1999/nrcc9051.wp

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: July 21, 1999. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG JULY 20. Public Reference Room: (202) 418-1933. Contact: Public Reference Room: (202) 418-1933. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/Tariffs/combined/tt072099.pdf

Report No: 44533. Released: July 21, 1999. BROADCAST ACTIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Actions/ac990721.txt

Report No: 24533. Released: July 21, 1999. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Applications/ap990721.txt

Report No: 2346. Released: July 21, 1999. OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS REFERENCE OPERATIONS DIVISION PETITIONS FOR RULEMAKING FILED. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public_Notices/1999/pnmc9057.wp

Released: July 21, 1999. AMATEUR SERVICE INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS. Contact: Public Safety and Private Wireless Division: (202) 418-0680. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1999/pnwl9168.wp

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SPOKANE, WASHINGTON. On Request of the Spokane School District #81, "SSD", licensee of station KSPS(TV), NTSC Channel *7, Spokane, Washington proposed the substitution of DTV Channel *8 for its assigned DTV Channel *39. Comments Due: September 13, 1999; Reply Comments Due: September 28, 1999.

Dkt No.: MM-99-262. Action by Chief, Video Services Division, Mass Media Bureau. by NPRM. (DA No. 99-1420). MMB

DANBURY CELLULAR TELEPHONE COMPANY. Dismissed as moot, the petition and modification application of Danbury Cellular Telephone Company for major modification of Domestic Public Cellular Radio Telecommunications Service Station KNKN 940, Kentucky 6-Madison Rural Service Area, Market No. 448A. Action by Chief, Policy and Rules Branch, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: July 21, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-1428). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1999/da991428.wp>

ADDENDA: The following items, released July 20, 1999, did not appear in Digest No. 137:

NEWS RELEASES

FCC RELEASES ITEM INQUIRING INTO FLAT-RATED LONG-DISTANCE FEES. The Commission released an item, adopted by a 4-1 vote on July 8, 1999, that inquiries into the effect of certain flat charges on consumers who make few, or no, interstate long-distance calls. By Notice of Inquiry. Report No: CC-99-30. Adopted: July 8, 1999. Dkt No.: CC-99-249. (FCC No. 99-168) News Media Contact: Emily Hoffnar (202) 418-0253. CCB Contact: Industry Analysis Division: Neil Fried at (202) 418-1530, TTY: (202) 418-2555. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/News_Releases/1999/nrcc9050.html

FCC'S V-CHIP SURVEY: TOP TV AND CABLE NETWORKS ENCODING TV RATINGS INFORMATION; PROGRAMMING LIKE "SOUTH PARK" AND "JERRY SPRINGER" LAGGING BEHIND. FCC Commissioner Gloria Tristani released a survey showing that all of the major broadcast networks, as well as most of the top 40 basic cable networks, are currently transmitting ratings that can be received by V-Chip equipped TV sets. News Media Contact: Maureen Peratino (202) 418-0500. OPA. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/News_Releases/1999/nrmc9052.wp

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: July 20, 1999. ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE COMMON CARRIER BUREAU ANNOUNCES DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE OF TRUTH-IN-BILLING RULES IN CC DOCKET NO. 98-170. (DA No. 99-1423). Dkt No.: CC-98-170. Contact: Enforcement Division: (202) 418-0960, fax: (202) 418-0236. Action by: Chief, Enforcement Division. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1999/da991423.wp

Report No: 2050. Released: July 20, 1999. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU WEEKLY RECEIPTS AND DISPOSALS.

SPEECHES

REMARKS BY FCC CHAIRMAN WILLIAM E. KENNARD BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS BAR ASSOCIATION, NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, SAN FRANCISCO,

CA, JULY 20, 1999. (As Prepared for Delivery), The Unregulation of the Internet: Laying a Competitive Course for the Future. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Speeches/Kennard/spwek924.html>

REMARKS OF COMMISSIONER SUSAN NESS BEFORE THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGULATORY UTILITY COMMISSIONERS, SAN FRANCISCO, CA, JULY 20, 1999. (As Prepared for Delivery), "The Geology of Telecommunications". Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Speeches/Ness/spsn910.html>

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LOW-VOLUME LONG-DISTANCE USERS. The Commission seeks comment in this Notice of Inquiry on the impact of certain flat-rated charges on single-line residential and business customers who make few, or no, interstate long-distance calls. By Notice of Inquiry. Dkt No.: CC-99-249. Action by the Commission. Adopted: July 8, 1999. by Notice. (FCC No. 99-168). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Notices/1999/fcc99168.pdf

UNICARE CORPORATION AND RUDY KHATCHATOURIAN V. MCI WORLDCOM, INC. AND CAPROCK COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION. Granted UniCare and MCIW's amended joint Motion to hold the formal complaint proceedings (E-99-02, E-99-03) in abeyance until the California State probate court has issued an order resolving the pending issues concerning the estate of Mr. Khatchatourian. Action by Chief, Formal Complaints and Investigations Branch, Enforcement Division, Common Carrier Bureau. Adopted: July 20, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-1430). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1999/da991430.wp

WALLER BROADCASTING, INC., ET AL. Vacated all the orders that imposed forfeitures based solely on violations of the EEO program requirements that were invalidated in the Lutheran Church case. Action by the Commission. Adopted: July 19, 1999. by Order. (FCC No. 99-186). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/fcc99186.wp

DCT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Affirmed dismissal of DCT's August 31, 1995, application to Provide 39 GHz Point-to-Point Microwave Service in Washington, D.C. By Order on Reconsideration. Action by Chief, Public Safety and Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: July 19, 1999. by Order on Recon. (DA No. 99-1422). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1999/da991422.wp>

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES. Notified International Business Machines, licensee of 22 point-to-point microwave stations of its Apparent Liability for a Forfeiture in the amount of \$20,000 for engaging in unauthorized pro forma transfers of control of the stations in a willful and repeated violation of Section 310(d) of the Commission's Rules. By Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture. Action by Deputy Chief, Enforcement and Consumer Information Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: July 19, 1999. by NAL. (DA No. 99-1400). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1999/da991400.wp>

EILEEN S. BAILEY, TRUSTEE IN BANKRUPTCY FOR EVAN DOSS CORPORATION AND CLAIBORNE COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CLUB, INC. Denied the application for review filed August 12, 1998 by Evan Doss, Jr. Corporation of the assignment of the construction permit of Station WKPG(AM), Port Gibson, MS. Action by the Commission. Adopted: July 19, 1999. by MO&O. (FCC No. 99-188). WTB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Orders/1999/fcc99188.wp

ADDENDA: The following items, released July 19, 1999, did not appear in Digest No. 136:

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SOUTHERN TIER AUTOMATICS, INC. , ET AL. V. CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS. Granted the joint motion to dismiss the complaint without prejudice filed by a number of independent payphone providers against Citizens Communications on June 11, 1999, pursuant to Section 208 of the Communications Act of 1934. Action by Deputy Chief, Formal Complaints and Investigations Branch, Enforcement Division, Common Carrier Bureau. Adopted: July 19, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-1416). CCB Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1999/da991416.wp

AMERI-BILE PAYPHONES, ET AL. V. ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, ET AL. Granted parties' joint motion requesting a waiver of Section 1.718 of the Commission's Rules which requires the filing of a formal complaint within six months of a carrier response to an informal complaint. Action by Deputy Chief, Formal Complaints and Investigations Branch, Enforcement Division, Common Carrier Bureau. Adopted: July 19, 1999. by Order. (DA No. 99-1415). CCB Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1999/da991415.wp

ADDENDA: The following items, released July 15, 1999, did not appear in Digest No. 134:

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BELLSOUTH CORPORATION, ET AL. Denied BellSouth Corporation and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Pacific Bell, and Nevada Bell Applications for Review of Responsible Accounting Officer Letter 26. Action by the Commission. Adopted: May 28, 1999. by Order. (FCC No. 99-125). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1999/fcc99125.wp